

Campus Jottings

U. OF PITTSBURGH COURSES SHORTENED

The University, which on Monday announced that Trimesters would probably be adopted for the duration, was not alone in its hesitancy in making that decision. The American college mind generally is dubious over the expediency of this issue, even though colleges and universities in every part of the country are adopting the shorter course plan.

A majority of only 56 percent of the American college students believe the speedup will benefit the students themselves, according to the national poll conducted last week by Student Opinion Surveys of America. SOS reports that the nation's students are opposed to such a program as a post-war, long-term objective. More than two-thirds of those interviewed declared that after the war is over they would rather go to school a full four years for their degrees.

Questions and answers in the cross-sectional poll were:
"Some colleges are shortening the time to get a degree from four to three years. Do you think this will be beneficial or not to students themselves?"

Will be beneficial 56%
Will not be beneficial 40%
Will not affect either way 2%
No opinion 2%

"Even after the war is over, what do you think you would prefer: to graduate in three years by going to school all year round and taking only short vacations between terms, or go to college four years as we have been doing?"

Prefer three-year course 22%
Prefer four-year course 77%
Undecided 1%

Typical protests on little time for additional courses came from students who work while attending school. More than half of the male students and more than a third of the co-eds earn at least a portion of their college expense, SOS has found. Thirteen percent of the men and nearly five percent of the women earn all expenses.

Meanwhile, colleges all over the country continue to announce new speed-up schedules. Leading in speed-up is the University of Chicago, which is offering a degree in two years.

—PITT NEWS.

1,200 AT QUEEN'S SIGN PETITION

The Queen's petition for National Scholarships has obtained 1,054 signatures by last Thursday. The signatures on Friday, the last day of the campaign, have not yet been counted, but are expected to add about 200 names to the total. The results as of Thursday night indicate that 446 students in Arts, 235 Meds and 373 Sciences have signed the petition. The Committee estimates that approximately 75 Arts students signed on Friday, and that the number of Meds signing is almost the number registered.

Queen's Delegation
There is some possibility that the campaign might be extended so as to allow for Friday being a holiday for the Science faculty. It had been planned, however, to have the petition completed so that the delegation from Queen's might take the signatures to Toronto at the end of this week in order to present them to Premier Hepburn at the same time as students from other universities.

QUEEN'S JOURNAL, Feb. 17.

Around the Globe

British Cabinet Reshuffled.

The Churchill cabinet was reshaken in England yesterday in deference to public criticism. Sir Kingsley Wood and Arthur Greenwood were ousted, and Beaverbrook returns to Washington. Sir Stafford Cripps is new leader of Commons.

Port-of-Spain Trinidad Attacked.

Two Allied ships, lying in the harbor of the capital city of Trinidad, were damaged by explosions believed to have been due to enemy submarine action. The enemy has 'Not yet been located.' The ships are still afloat and there were no fatalities.

Japanese Held at Bilin River.

A Japanese threat across the Bilin river, the newest defence line held by the Empire forces in Burma, has been forced back into the river during heavy hand to hand fighting. Casualties on both sides were described as 'heavy.'

Meighen Quits Election Field.

Hon. Arthur Meighen, Conservative Party leader yesterday told a caucus of Conservative members of the House of Commons that he felt that he should not be asked to contest another Commons seat at this time. Hon. R. B. Hanson will continue as Conservative House of Commons leader.

Principal and Col. Morris Head Gymkhana Committee

Final Arrangements Made For Largest Crowd Ever

The personnel of the working committees in charge of arrangements for next Friday's Gymkhana was announced last night. These committees, headed by the Principal, Dr. F. Cyril James, and Lt.-Col. J. M. Morris, M.C., V.D., have been carrying out extensive preparations for the past few weeks.

The Gymkhana is intended to fulfill both the purpose of demonstrating the military activities of McGill and to raise money for the Student War Fund. All three branches of the fighting forces will be represented. Members of the

M.R.T.B. will go through drill routines and exhibitions of physical training; they will also show the method of handling the Bren gun. An unusual feature will be a mock battle which will point out the correct use and deployment of troops under actual battle conditions.

Coeds, too, will enter into the proceedings. The Red Cross contingent will parade and other women students will display gymnastic stunts and modern dancing.

The M.R.T.B. Band will be in attendance to render a number of (Continued on Page Four)

Guinea Pig Registration Exceeded 350 Yesterday

Membership Tags Are Distributed Today at Registration Booths

The total number of members registered for the Guinea Pig Club has exceeded the 350 mark, it was announced last night. Although the campaign is officially over and the booths closed, the executive announced that no applicant will be turned away and that students may apply for membership at any time.

Tags will be distributed to-day by members of the Red Wing Society from 10 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. wherever registration tables were situated during the campaign. A list of members in the Club appears on page four.

The students will be called upon in alphabetical order, and once they have donated their services, they will not be contacted again this year. "Contrary to a rumour that has spread in the past few weeks, there are many calls for 'guinea pigs' and as many as 15 have been asked to appear at the hospital in one week," stated Charles Harris, founder of the Guinea Pig Club.

Because of war secrecy, the exact nature of work cannot be disclosed, but Dr. Morton of the Montreal Neurological Institute where the research is being carried on, emphasized that no surgical work will be involved, and that no one will be submitted to any undue physical unpleasantness.

It has been suggested that in connection with the Club, weekly forums could be held where students could exchange views on the international situation. If well-supported, they could correlate student opinion toward taking action where most required. This, it was stated, could be carried out by presenting their views to the Student Society.

Aboud, Joseph, Aikins, James P., Aikman, Audrey M., Aikman, Joan W., Alexander, Leo, Allen, Jean I., Anastas, Kalliope, Archambault, Bernard J., Armstrong, David M., Assaly, George, Atkinson, Jennie B., Ayoub, Raymond.

Babbitt, Carol M.; Babbitt, Ethel J.; Baittle, Braham; Barnes, Mary S.; Barwick, Donald C.; Beck Johannes; Bedwell, Y.; Begert, K.; Beland, A.; Benjamin, G.; Bishop, T.; Blair, Stella; Bockus, H. R.; Bonter, D. M.; Boon, B.; Booth, J.; Burke, G. (Continued on Page Four)

Ontario SCM Seeks Grants

Brief Sent to Government Asks For Scholarships

The Ontario branch of the S.C.M. has presented a petition to the Ontario Legislature regarding the adoption of the Dominion-Provincial Youth Training Plan in Ontario Universities. Every university in the province is represented in the campaign.

If the Provincial Government accepts this proposal, it will co-operate with the Dominion Government in donating scholarships to Ontario Universities up to the sum of \$30,000. Many of the other provinces have made similar requests, and a campaign was staged in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick at the same time as the Ontario petition. The request, together with a brief, was presented to Dr. Duncan McArthur, Minister of Education, the week of Feb. 16.

The brief emphasizes the importance and necessity of higher education in the war effort as regards the training of officers for the armed forces, and as to the training of doctors, chemists, engineers and technicians of all kinds.

It then indicates that there has been a marked increase in the enrolment in the Medical and Engineering faculties, and as there is greater need for graduates in this field, more students should be aided by Government grants.

In conclusion, the brief points out that only 5 per cent. of the students come from farms, and therefore more scholarships ought to be granted to rural areas.

Pastor Speaks To Fellowship

IVCF Luncheon Hears of Three Ways of Life

"Every man is, in a manner of speaking, four different men," said Rev. Peter Hoogendam of the People's Church speaking to the McGill Christian Fellowship at a luncheon meeting held yesterday. "He is the man the world knows, he is the man his intimate friends know, he is the man only he himself knows, and he is the man God knows."

"Every man must be judged by these four tribunals. There are thus, in general, three ways of living. There is the shallow way, living to please the world and your friends. Any fish can go with the tide."

"Secondly there is the manly way, having a clear conscience. Happy indeed is the man who can live with himself."

"Thirdly there is the Apostolic way, dead to the applause of the world you look only for the nod of approval from the Master."

There will be a special prayer meeting at the Student House, Sunday afternoon at 4.30 o'clock, for those wishing to pray for the coming conference.

Today Is Deadline for Arts and Crafts Display

The deadline for entries to the Arts and Crafts Exhibition is at six o'clock this afternoon. All contributions are to be handed in to the Forge Office in the Union basement, each clearly tagged with the name of the article, of the maker, of his faculty and his year.

Architectural drawings, design, drawings, paintings, photographs, prints, sculpture, and craft work are all eligible for entry.

The committee in charge cannot assume responsibility for loss or damage, though every possible precaution will be taken to avoid casualties of any description. Moreover, articles entered must be reclaimed on or before February 28, since provision cannot be made for them after this date.

War Effort Placed First

Post-War Aims Are Secondary, Says Masaryk

Toronto, Ont., February 19.—(C. U.P.)—Warning against undue emphasis on post-war planning while the war is yet to be won was sounded by Dr. Jan Masaryk, Foreign Minister of the Czechoslovakian Government in exile, in an address to students here today.

The Foreign Minister warned against exercising moral and religious principles which are Democracy's background because "They will make us do things which may be detrimental to our struggle. We must beat gangsters with their own weapons," the speaker affirmed. Admitting the evil of war, he claimed there was no more Christian way of dealing with desperate people. "By being as well equipped as they and having a moral background of which we are not ashamed, we will win the war," he continued.

Dr. Masaryk warned that 1942 would be a bad year, but "We should not be discouraged by reverses which we have foreseen. We have been lamentably unprepared; some (Continued on Page Four)

Laval Debates McGill About Early Marriages

Debaters from Laval and McGill will meet on Thursday, Feb. 26th, at 8.30 p.m., in the Common Room at R.V.C. The topic under debate, "Resolved that we should favor early marriages" will be upheld by the Laval debaters. Skutsky, President of the McGill Debating Union, and Albert Gaddis, Laval student will defend the negative.

The speeches will be made in either English or French although the rebuttal will be in the language opposite to that first used by the speaker. This debate is planned to be somewhat like that held between the Montreal University and debaters from the McGill law department in which marriage was the subject of discussion.

Students Light Flares Opening Victory Beacon Ceremonies

Eight shivering McGill students sat in the snows covering the higher slopes of Mount Royal waiting for a signal—a rocket explosion which would be the sign for the giant "V for Victory" to be lighted, as the opening of the Victory Beacon Ceremonies held last night at Fletcher's Field.

As the rocket exploded, the students began lighting the two hundred flares which were arranged previously in the V form, just below the cross on the eastern slopes of Mount Royal. Soon the victory signal could be seen in brilliant red color, twice as high as the cross, from the ceremony at the field, and from all of the eastern section of the city.

Prelude to this demonstration was a double parade, on proceeding from the McGill cam-

Med Banquet Hears Boyd

Tonight Set For Dinner in Mount Royal

The sixtieth in the long series bearing the tradition of "Med. Dinners" will be held today. The yearly event is to take place in the Mount Royal Hotel, and is scheduled to get under way at 7.30 p.m.

The affair, which is, in the words of a member of the executive of the Medical Undergraduate Society, "one of McGill's oldest and most unenviable institutions" will this year feature as guest speaker Dr. William Boyd, who is at present professor of Pathology and Bacteriology at the University of Toronto, Ontario.

Dr. Boyd has been described as needing no introduction to any Medical audience, at least on this continent, and has gained a wide reputation in his own field through his text-books which have been called "the most popular ever written on the subject of Pathology."

Representative Gathering
The annual banquet of the Meds is arranged as a representative gathering of both students and members of the Faculty, and the executive has stated this to be the only occasion of the year at which the two can "get together and really enjoy each other's company."

In past years the Meds have heard from many distinguished speakers at their annual dinners, and the discourses delivered have dealt with many topics, ranging from last year's address by Dr. F. Kennedy on the "Relations Between Science and War," to a paper presented by Professor Woodhead of the McGill Classics Department on "A Classicist Offers Criticism of Chirurgical Contacts." This year's effort, stated a member of the executive, promises entertainment of the same traditional value.

Tickets may still be obtained for the price of \$2.50 by applying to class representatives or to Miss Mudge or Miss Marshall at the Medical Building.

Post-War Economic Plan Proposed for Canada

McNaughton Essay Prize Entry Deadline Is Set

The deadline for the McNaughton essay prize has been announced by the University Scholarships Committee as March 18th, 1942. All compositions to be submitted must be typed and must be handed in to the registrar's office on or before this date.

The prize, which is worth about \$75, is offered for the best piece of creative writing in English submitted by a student of the University, and may be awarded for fiction, drama or essay. In the event of more than one entry being judged as being of equal merit the prize may be divided between the winning entries.

'Out of the Frying Pan' Opens in Moyse Hall; Will Continue Its Run Tomorrow and Saturday Nights

Only Four Days Remain In Campus Life Contest

Reminding students that Monday is the closing date of the Annual "Campus Life" Contest, Fred Paine, the Photography Editor, stated that he is still looking for originality in the entries.

He added that, although the number of pictures so far submitted would be sufficient to fill the section reserved for Campus Life pictures, he feels that in the remaining four days of the contest more pictures representative of college spirit should be submitted.

Especially rare among the entries are shots of professors field trips and summer schools, and action photos of athletic activities such as skiing.

Elections Set For Tuesday

Meeting Will Hear Nominees This Monday

The nominees in the forthcoming elections to the executive posts of the Arts Undergraduate Society will be presented to the members at a meeting to be held at 4.30 p.m. on Monday afternoon in the Common Room of the Arts Building. At this gathering plans will also be discussed for the approaching Annual Banquet of the Society.

To appear as guest speaker at the banquet the present executive is attempting to secure B. K. Sandwell, editor of the "Saturday Night" of Toronto, and a graduate of McGill. (Continued on Page Four)

Speakers Set Forth Internal Policies at Economy Club Meeting

"A planned Canadian economy, based on a better, newer, and freer international order is the basis on which Canadians must build," stated Khayyam Paltiel last night at the meeting of the Political Economy Club. Harvey Brazier, third year Commerce student, dwelt upon the problem of demobilization of the army and the policies needed in order to avert the possible unemployment which would result at the cessation of hostilities.

"Canada—Post-War Internal Policies," was the subject of the discussion. Paltiel dwelt upon the general view of the Canadian economy, and Brazier discussed the specific problems facing the Dominion. The speakers emphasized the fact that, as Canada had export economy primarily, free international trade was a paramount necessity. The problem of Dominion-Provincial relations and the constitutional problems facing the country were stressed as they tended to hinder and obscure any constructive legislation brought forward.

Planning in order to avoid economic chaos and to promote personal security was seen to be a great need. The agencies set up by the government in the present war, it was advocated, should be used in any attempt at planning as the experience and knowledge gained by members of these boards would prove most useful.

The ever-recurring problem of cyclical unemployment was also discussed. Methods, such as public works, social security schemes, continuance of war contracts for a short time after the war and various financial aids were proposed for alleviating this ever-present problem. The dangers and advantages (Continued on Page Four)

Receptive Audience Laughs at McGill Players' Club Efforts

Ross Pratt Plays at RVC

Program to Feature Bach And Schumann

"A Pianist of excellent musicianship and finesse" is the verdict of one New York critic on Ross Pratt, the young Canadian artist who is billed to play at 5.00 p.m. in the R.V.C. Auditorium on Tuesday, February 24. Engaged for this occasion by the Program Committee of the Women's Union, Mr. Pratt made his debut in the New York Town Hall last November, and has been winning the praises of the critics since then.

Mr. Pratt has played on the Sunday morning program of the Radio City Music Hall, and with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, having only recently returned from the West coast. He is one of the four or five pianists in the whole world who perform the Rachmaninoff piano concerto in A minor. Last year he introduced a sonata by Howard Ferguson in its American premiere.

After his New York concert, he (Continued on Page Four)

Culliton Speaks To Macc Circle

Plans Announced For Debate With Queen's Hillel

Maccabean Circle members will hear Professor John Culliton of the Department of Economics and Political Science speak to them on Sunday afternoon after the regular business meeting at 3.15 p.m.

Professor Culliton will give a general speech on the period of post-war reconstruction, the effect that a policy of open immigration would have on such a period; and what new frontiers would be open for advancement and occupation in such a time.

It was announced that Thursday, February 26, Edna Agranovich, B.A. '44, and Mervyn Weiner, B.Com. '43, will debate against two members of the Hillel Foundation of Queen's University. The subject will be, "Resolved that the British government permit the establishment of a Jewish Army in Palestine," and the Circle will be upholding the negative. The debate will be held in the Mount Royal Hotel, at eight o'clock, at a special meeting of the B'nai B'rith Lodge of Montreal. The B'nai B'rith sponsors both the Circle, and the Hillel Foundations, of which the Queen's branch is the first established in Canada.

The executive invites the teachers from Macdonald, and the McGill members of the R.C.A.F. to attend both these sessions.

Loud Applause Greet Cast at Curtain Calls

"Out of the Frying Pan," this year's dramatic attempt on the part of the Players' Club, opened at Moyse Hall. This farce, which has run so successfully and long on Broadway, has, in general, achieved success here at McGill also.

The play itself is surefire. It can best be described as a light comedy; there is nothing heavy throughout it, it is pure farce. Dealing with the aspirations of a sextet of young people who wish to be given a chance to show their abilities in the field of drama, it races merrily through their trials and tribulations, with romance, semi-nudes, and raids by the police, all linked together by continuously funny lines.

The six are all living in the same apartment—three boys, and three girls—hoping by united effort to support themselves and secure a part in a play. Norman is the brains of the group. Doty the rather brainless meal-ticket. Tony and Marge are secretly married. George is cynical and unpredictable, while Kate is also cynical, but very level-headed.

Spy on Producer

Mr. Kenny the producer lives downstairs—he can be spied upon, as he occupies himself with his hobby, or rather, obsession of cooking—through holes which the thespians have bored in the floor. Mrs. Garnet, the landlady, pops vaguely in and out, demanding rent, lending sympathy, and providing smelling salts when needed. Doty's father also drops in occasionally, and it is with great difficulty that the young actors manage to keep him from finding out that they are sharing his daughter's apartment. Muriel is another visitor—one who can act as a corpse when necessary—but usually not a very welcome one.

It is against this background that the plot moves, affording the actors a chance to show off the ability which, in general, is not deficient.

Acting Good

John Averill, in the role of Norman, gives a spirited and convincing rendition, bearing ably many of the high points of the play. In the role of George, Roy Wolvin, even without his clothes on, is in his part to such an extent that he must be reckoned amongst the best entertainment in the play. Ronnie Bayne who plays a heavily romantic part as Tony was, at last night's performance, perhaps a little too conscious of the frivolous state of mind of the audience during his scenes with his secret wife.

Among the girls Jackie Dorsey, in the part of the young lady who was Doty by name and dotty by nature, renders her scatter-brained role most amusingly. And Pam Holt as aKte is duly cynical in her cynicism, and duly level-headed in her level-headedness. Mary McCrimmon plays Muriel, both in her alive and dead conditions, interestingly (Continued on Page Four)

Around the Campus

Today: Deadline for entries in the Art's and Craft Exhibition is 6.00 o'clock. ... British West Indies Society will meet in the Union Grill Room at 8.00 p.m. ... Meds hold dinner at 7.30 p.m. in the Mount Royal Hotel. ... Newman Club Social will be held at 341 Metcalfe Ave., Westmount.

Sunday: Professor Culliton will speak to the Maccabean Circle on Sunday at 3.15 in the Union Grill.

Monday: Arts Undergraduate Society holds meeting at 4.30 p.m. in the Arts Common Room to present nominees. ... Band will hold practice in the Armoury at 7.30 p.m. ... Campus Life Photography Contest closes.

Coming: Ross Pratt to give program sponsored by the Women's Union on Tuesday at 5.00 p.m. at the R.V.C. ... Gymkhana to be held on February 27th. ... Arts elections to be held tomorrow in the Arts Building. ... Debate with Laval on marriage on February 28th.

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House Afire

Over the wires from the Toronto Varsity last night came a story on a speech made to University of Toronto students by Jan Masaryk, Foreign Minister of the exiled Czechoslovakian government.

Jan Masaryk's address was far from the usual run of speeches on the war situation. He gave a clear warning that democracies everywhere must not place undue emphasis on post war planning while the war is yet to be won.

We hope we may be excused if we add a few words of praise and commendation to this statement. Universities, especially, are prone to puzzle the problems of the world without taking much action of the problems with which we are face to face. Many of us do not, indeed, seem to have recognized the fact that all our planning will be in vain if we pay too little attention to winning the war. Many of us do not seem to have recognized the fact that we can lose this war, in fact, "We are in dreadful danger of losing this war."

Unfortunately, those who have recognized this fact have, for the most part, vented their realization in criticism of the existing leaders, looking for the scapegoat; in short, doing everything but the most important thing—pulling their weight where it counts the most.

We may criticize our leaders, but we must remember that they are the only leaders we have. We may criticize the forces and strategy from our far-off armchairs, but we forget that while new strategy and new methods are being developed, the war must still go on. We cannot take a holiday to revamp the situation, build up our forces and resources, or form plans for the world of tomorrow.

In the words of Jan Masaryk: "The job is here. The house is afire. First we must put out the fire and then rebuild the house."

Monster Petition

A week ago the Student Christian movement at the University of Toronto started a campaign for the presentation of a monster petition to the Provincial Government regarding the adoption of the Dominion-Provincial Youth Training plan in Ontario Universities. The University of Toronto was joined by Queens, McMaster, Western, O.A.C. and the University of Ottawa.

Twelve hundred students were expected to sign the petition which was to be submitted to the Ontario legislature. If accepted, the proposal would mean that the Provincial Government will cooperate with the Dominion Government on an equal basis to grant scholarships to Ontario Universities to the amount of \$30,000.

With the Dominion Government working diligently on matters of immediate importance, it is doubtful whether the petition is entirely pertinent and in place. The energy expended in proposing this petition could have been used to greater advantage elsewhere.

In spite of the fact that we have been at war for almost three years now, university students have not as yet realized the importance and gravity of the course of events. They are far too prone to "retiring to ivory towers," and thinking naught but of their comfort, pleasure, and security. Our Government and leaders are busy now, why not leave them alone.

Illio do Pacquata

Brazil, 1940.

A remarkable bronze statue in the centre of Rio's fish market: Placa do XV Novembro. But there was little left for one's imagination: the Golden Rule was supreme. One would have been more justified if one called it a memorial, a memorial to mighty Neptune and to masses of shiny, new metal. However, it had character; character which became more pronounced against the background of huge sombreros and fish which was not far behind in size.

Two worlds met here; strangely without a clash, each retained its own dignity: the statue; the sombreros, the fish and their odor. Nevertheless, this was not a Lisbon, this was not a Europe. Something of the prehistoric forest, of the interior lent itself to the grim faces under the straw. A new history was here in the making, a new way of life, a new culture; something which was closely knit with an obscure future...

I disembarked in a Barqua, extraordinarily cheap; half a Mille Rei for an almost cross-Channel, since the trip to Illio do Pacquata was a matter of more than an hour and a half.

The sight of the lowland of Nicloroi, with its shiny white houses and red roofs, accompanied us all along. The Bay was covered with innumerable islands and native fishing and commercial, stacked high, craft filled the area with unusual activity. This must have been that which so decidedly reminded one of the Levant.

And there was the island. Thick jungle brush which reached the water edge and stretches of white beach that shone with the light of the setting sun. Huge egg-like rocks with strange vegetation at their top surrounded the island; some half submerged in the water and some resting, with their full weight against the thick wood.

Stillness reigned in the whole place and only a few lazy native boats piled along the numerous bays. The water was as calm as the air was silent. Only from time to time the silence would break while a huge bird would pull out of a power dive with its captured prey in its beak.

The whole island's population was there to meet the Barqua; fat, brown mothers, thin, noisy children and the grim faces which hid behind the sombreros.

And behind the small Praca lay the prehistoric wood; the village stretched along the beach, on the right. Houses, pink in colour, stood among aged trees in huge, square courts. Piles of wood were seen everywhere.

I walked into the semi-darkness; a moist darkness that reminded one that here nature was supreme. So indeed it was. There was no stillness here; birds were busy putting to dust any Wagner, Tchaikovsky, or Sibelius and plants that made an appeal to the gigantic.

One's individuality was lost. Until the darkness set, I just stood there gazing at what must have once been my home. Here no man could go idle; no man could even think; no man could make war. There was a continuous challenge, here, to everything a man possessed. . . .

—E. E. SCHALIT.

Musical Notes

GIUSEPPI VERDI

The Man and the Genius

Today there are certain groups of music enthusiasts who consider opera an inferior form of musical entertainment. If they would only admit it, I believe they would say that its excessive length and complicated score make it exceedingly tedious and incomprehensible to them. How many of them are aware of the fact that some of Mozart's finest music occur in his operas? That Beethoven strove all his life to find a suitable libretto for a second opera after writing Fidelio, his only opera. That Schubert attempted many times, but failed, to produce an opera.

The greatest creative musical force since Franz Schubert's death in 1828—Giuseppe Verdi—was born in 1813 in extreme poverty at a little hamlet in Le Roncole in Italy, his father being a keeper of one of those inns that resemble more a cowshed than an inn. Each day he walked three miles to the tiny hamlet of Busseto in the province of Parma. When Verdi was eight or thereabouts, his father procured a broken-down spinet, which was repaired by a neighbouring workman, Cavaletti, and was no small source of delight to little Giuseppe's heart. (Today it can be seen at the Museum at Milan.)

Just before his nineteenth birthday, Verdi, through the kindness of Barezzi, a grocer of Busseto, went to Milan but was refused entrance to the Conservatoire on the grounds of being over age. He married Barezzi's daughter Margherita in 1836 and in 1839 produced his first opera OBERTO, which all but flopped. The second was a decided flop.

The greatest series of tragedies that could happen to any human being befell Verdi at this time (1840). His favorite little son died and two months later his other child, a girl, followed by his wife.

Within three months at 27, Verdi lost his beloved wife and children. Such experience left its mark on Verdi—poignancy and tragic intensity are to be found in all his great works, but they are the fruits of a profoundly experienced nature, which consumed and digested its experience, instead of rejecting it.

Verdi was of unusually serene temperament and enjoyed in later life magnificent health. He is generally described as a man of genius, simple and not intellectual. Quite the contrary, he was a genius in every sense of the word. Composing Verdi's music was no small task. His second wife wrote: "O God! Grant that Verdi shall compose no more operas." Her description of him was as follows: an iron nature who understood the most delicate as well as the most inspiring sentiment.

Here was a man, who, like Mozart, had that infallible touchstone for musical perception; who mastered the brass of the orchestra as

well as the great Wagner in his opera AIDA, yet could rise so triumphantly as in the aria "O Patria Mia" from the same opera, with the most exquisite economy of instrumentation unknown since the days of Gluck and Mozart.

He was no less a master of 'coloratura' singing as a means of expression. Note his arias "Pace! Pace! Mio Dio" (Mercy O Lord) in FORZA DEL DESTINO and the Cavatina in ERNANI. At the age of eighty this man who had produced such gems as Aida, Ballo in Maschera, Don Carlos, Ernani, Forza del Destino, Macbeth, La Traviata, Rigoletto, Il Trovatore, who had delved in the works of Victor Hugo, Dumas, Shelley, and Shakespeare among others, returned once more to the brilliant Shakespeare and with the fires of his genius still ablaze wrote two of the finest operas in existence—FALSTAFF and OTELLO, the former an adaptation of the 'Merry Wives of Windsor'.

And this at an age when inspiration is dead and men are feeble!

This week the Metropolitan is broadcasting the ever popular and exquisite AIDA with Norena Greco in the title role, Frederick Jagel as Rhadames, Bruna Castagna as Amneris and John Charles Thomas as Amonasro. Next week will be the equally popular BALLO IN MASCHERA in which will be featured Stella Roman, Bruna Castagna, Josephine Antoine, Giovanni Martinelli in his first broadcast this season since he has taken over the onerous duties of manager of the Chicago Opera Co., Richard Bonelli and George Cehanovsky.

—R. P. S.

Varied Verse

The Modern Poet

Since Auden set the fashion,
 Our poets grow tame;
 They are quite without passion,
 They live without blame,
 Like a respectable dame.

Bountiful Lady, good Sir,
 In search of a pet?
 Would you therefore consider
 A modern poet?
 He's for purchase or to let.

His pedigree? Uncertain
 But come now agree,
 He's the one to entertain
 Your guests after tea.
 A wit and scholar is he.

Poets are shocking, you say?
 Villon, Baudelaire—
 Ho! They come gentler today;
 Their language most fair . . .
 Ah-ha, you'll order a pair?
 —Irving Layton.

Problem Solved

The snow was wet as wet could be,
 The lectures dry as dry,
 You could not see the sun because
 No sun was in the sky,
 No skiers flying down the slopes—
 There were no slopes to fly.

The Artmen and the Engineers
 Were walking two by two,
 They wept like anything because
 They'd nothing else to do.
 "There must be someone we can date—
 The question, though, is WHO?"

"If seven valets worked on me
 From early until late,
 Do you suppose," an Artman said,
 "That I could get a date?"
 "We doubt it," said the Engineers.
 His aobs, they came full spate.

"O Coeds, come and walk with us,"
 The Artmen did beseech;
 "A pleasant walk, a pleasant talk—
 You'll learn what we can teach:
 We cannot do with more than four
 To give a hand to each."

A blase Senior looked at them,
 But never a word she said;
 The blase Senior winked her eye—
 And shook her lovely head.
 Meaning to say she did not choose
 To leave her nice safe bed.

But four young Freshettes hurried up
 All eager for the treat,
 Their hair was done, their faces rouged,
 Their shoes were clean and neat,
 And this was odd, because you see
 They all had size 10 feet.

Four other Freshettes followed them,
 And yet another four,
 And thick and fast they came at last
 And more and more and more
 Rushed down the stairs of R.V.C.
 And scrambled through the door.

"But why on earth this sudden rush?"
 I hear you rightly say;
 "The Artmen and the Engineers,
 What gave them this S.A.?
 What was it that they found to do
 On such a lousy day?"

You well may ask, and this is what
 Those crafty sharks had done:
 Bought tickets for "The Flying Pan"
 At 40c each one.
 And that is how those dim wallflowers
 Such Sex Appeal had won. —T. B.

Motion Pictures

At the Capitol: BAHAMA PASSAGE, with Madeleine Carroll and Stirling Hayden. Also, NO HANDS ON THE CLOCK.

At the Princess: CALL OUT THE MARINES, with Victor McLaglen and Edmund Lowe. Also, PLAYMATES, with Kay Kyser.

At the Palace: HOW GREEN WAS MY VALLEY, with Walter Pidgeon, Donald Crisp, Maureen O'Hara. (Second Week.)

At Loew's: BABES ON BROADWAY, with Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland. (Second Week.)

Letter Forum

Supports Daily Policy.

Editor, McGill Daily.

Dear Sir: I would like to write this letter to commend the managing board of the Daily on their action regarding the anonymity of letters from election candidates in the Letter Forum column until after the elections. I have not written sooner as I thought the improvement so obvious as not to need support.

However, during the last few days I have seen a good deal of criticism of this policy in the Letter Forum column; here I am not referring to the long and somewhat tiresome tirades of wrath emanating from John Randolph, whom, by now, surely no one on the campus can still take seriously anyway, but to the honest and sincere criticism of a number of other students.

As far as I can see, this does not in any way muzzle the candidates; anything that they want to say regarding their beliefs and intentions may be stated in their platforms and at the election meetings. Anything that they want to say for the general good of the student body will be printed promptly. The only change is that they will not reflect glory back upon themselves. If a candidate has anything important enough to say to sufficiently raise the interest of his readers they can easily learn his name from the Editor.

What it does do is to prevent an unfair advantage being gained by a certain type of letter-writer, of which I myself am a rather blatant example. This type of writer does not set himself up to carry any inspired new ideas to the student body. His object is merely to refute anything too rank that appears in this column; to show the public at large that not all thinking students at McGill are either raving radicals or mumbling morons, and to reassure the average student that he is still not the only person on the campus who is capable of intelligent and reasoning thought. He expresses the thoughts of the majority of McGill students, summarizes them possibly.

This may or may not be intended to gain the writer notoriety. In the majority of cases probably it is not; however, around election times a letter of this type can do a great deal to influence the voting. If some hundreds of students see a letter written by a candidate practically reproducing their own thoughts word for word they inevitably tend to arrive at the conclusion that the man thinks along the same lines as themselves, and that he is the obvious man for them to vote for. Now it may be that the candidate does so think, or it may be that he does not think at all. I do not believe that every time a student sees his own thoughts in print that he automatically questions as to whether the writer was an honest man, or whether he is merely a confidence trickster in disguise. If this is the case, all that can be said is that it is a sorry indictment of the honesty and mutual trust of our age.

In conclusion, let me suggest that it is not easy to know your candidate by reading his prepared statements about himself. The one way to really know your candidate is to ask him questions concerning points of his policy that he has not made public, and then to see if his answers are satisfactory to you. The only ways in which this can be done are either by questioning him in private, or by asking questions from the floor of the election meeting.



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 Eng. '43.

Points Against Policy

Editor, McGill Daily.

Dear Sir: In the Daily's report on Feb. 17 meeting of the Students' Executive Council in the Daily of Feb. 18, there is a paragraph:

"Prior to adjournment, the Council listened to the points listed by John Randolph, who is circulating petitions asking for a change in the policy of the McGill Daily regarding the Letter Forum column. The Editor of the Daily then presented the viewpoint of the Managing Board. A short discussion followed, but no motion was presented, and Don Delvin, member from Commerce who presented Mr. Randolph's arguments AT HIS REQUEST (capitals mine) stated that he expected that Mr. Randolph would continue with his petition."

For the sake of journalistic accuracy, may I point out that it was at Mr. Delvin's request and NOT at MY request that the matter came before the Students' Executive Council. I heartily thank Mr. Delvin for his broad-minded attitude and advice respecting the Letter Forum Controversy.

Since I will not accept any nomination to office in the forthcoming election, I should like the students who may read this letter in the Letter Forum column to know what those points I listed were:

1. The present policy of the Daily is "Anonymity of all letters will be maintained until February 25 when nominations close, unless the author states that he will not accept candidacy in the forthcoming elections. After that date, the ruling will apply only to the candidates themselves." (See Daily Editorial, Feb. 16.)

2. The above is the essence of the new departure from traditional Daily policy. It is no defence of this new Daily policy to say that candidates are given equal freedom of the public platform or the front

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SKIING INSTRUCTIONS

On Sunday, February 22nd, Fred Urquhart will be at Ste. Sauveur to give skiing instruction to any McGill men and women who want to improve their snow plows, stem turns, "christies," etc.

Here is a wonderful opportunity to improve your skiing form. Both beginners and average skiers welcome.

Marines Top Artillerymen By 2-1 Count

Victors Shunt Navy Out of First Place

The surging Marines took advantage of the idle Navy team yesterday by vaulting into first place with a close 2-1 victory over the fourth place Artillery.

The standings now show the Marines with eleven points and the Navy with ten as the sailors had a one point margin up till today. The Artillerymen missed a great chance to pull up even with the Marines in the standings, and had the game in doubt until the last whistle.

In the first period the Marines went ahead when Earl Smith scored on a power play, and the winners held this margin until midway in the second frame. Play was rather loose in this period, but no penalties occurred.

Hibbard for the Artillery knotted the count at one goal apiece at the half way mark of the second period when he slick-handled his way into scoring position, and made sure of the point with a blistering drive.

The final period saw each team try desperately to net the winning goal and after many close scrambles at each end, Watt sank the clincher to give the Marines a hard fought win.

The Artillery flash Morrison was held in check by the Marines, but the latter's goalies robbed him at least a half dozen times with some phenomenal stops.

The teams:
Artillery: Fennel, Hibbard, Morrison, Farlinger, Henry, Holden, Hebert, Lefebvre, Smith, Trudeau, Keely, and Carruthers.
Marines: Thompson, Chown, Shannon, E. Smith, Malenfant, Burrows, Patrick, Rutledge, Watt, Wake.

Red Skiers Invited To Junior Championship

The Annual downhill and slalom race for the Laurentian Zone Junior Championship, and open also to all competitors of class A, B and C, will be held at Ste. Sauveur, Sunday, February 22nd, 1942, on the NEW MARQUIS DOWNHILL RUN.

The downhill will start at 11 a.m. sharp. Competitors will be checked in, given numbers etc. at the finishing line, from 10 to 10:30 a.m. No competitor or spectator will be allowed to climb the course after 10:30 a.m.

The slalom race will be held on the same mountain at 2:30 in the afternoon, numbers will again be given at the finishing line, between 1:45 and 2:15 p.m.

All entries accompanied by a fee of \$1.00 for seniors, and \$0.50 for juniors, for the two events, must be in the hands of Fernand S. Picard, c/o The Commercial Acceptance Corp. Ltd. 3485 Park Avenue, Montreal, not later than 5:00 p.m. Friday, February 20th.

The drawing of numbers will take place at 8:00 p.m. of the same evening at 645 Dunlop avenue, Outremont.

Prizes will be presented at the Club house immediately after the race.

This event is open to any member of the Outing club holding his Zone card, and several McGill skiers will probably attend. It is understood that the Totem Ski Club who is sponsoring this race will assume no responsibility for accident. Post entries will positively not be accepted.

Bird in Tree: Here comes that farmer who chased us out of his garden yesterday. I wonder if he will recognize us?

Second Bird: I don't know. I'll see if I can catch his eye.

—Queens Journal.

Much Heralded Gymnastic And Rifle Exhibition to Feature Several Champs

Airmen To Test Coed Hockeyists On Campus Rink

"Boys In Blue" Seek to Outdo Plumbers

The R.C.A.F. Detachment of McGill University has accepted the co-ed's challenge to a hockey match. The "Boys in Blue" could not stand to be outdone by the Engineers and have set out to form a first-class team. They are determined to make sure that what happened to the Plumbers, will not happen to them.

It is a known fact that the co-eds are in mid-season form, so the airmen are going into training to get back into shape for the occasion.

The date for the tilt is set for a week from today that is, Friday, Feb. 27th, from 6-7 p.m. at the McGill rink on McTavish St.

For a number of the airmen, it will be the first time they take part in their favorite sport this season, having exchanged the hockey-stick for a Radio book. The airmen assure us that they will make a good showing and uphold the name of the R.C.A.F.

A large turnout is expected from both co-eds and airmen, so make a point of being on hand.

McGill Fencing Club Face Aggies Tomorrow

Tomorrow afternoon at 3 p.m., the McGill Fencing Club will battle a team representing Macdonald College in what promises to be a very entertaining as well as exciting show. The affair will take place in the Sir Arthur Currie Gym.

Although teams have been chosen from both the girls and the boys to represent the respective clubs, all members are asked to turn out for what promises to be a gala affair. Anyone else who is interested in seeing the fencers in action—co-eds included—is also welcome.

To offset any fatigue endured during the bouts, refreshments will be served to the clubs, while arrangements have been made for dancing to the tunes of the nickelodion.

The teams:
WOMEN
Macdonald McGill
Lee LaBine.....G. Beatty
Helen Chestnut.....E. J. Babbitt
Jo Burgess.....A. Clarke
M. Brackley.....N. Burgess
Charlotte Cole.....S. Jackson
Connie Satter.....P. McColl
Phyl Cross.....S. Zuperko
Betty Champion.....F. Tyrer
MEN
Macdonald McGill
Red. Krassa.....Morty Levitt
I. Galinskey.....Zavie Miller
N. Stark.....Jack Rublee
N. Dietcher.....Bob Kovacs
G. Shearman.....Guy Grimaldi
J. Goodwin.....W. Meuleman

POME OF THE WEEK:

I was charmed by the look in her eye,
By her nightingale voice I was smitten,
And her beautiful figure—Oh my!
By her glorious hair I was bitten.
She is really the charmingest girl,
In her arms any man would find bliss;
But what struck me mostly about her
Was her hand, when I started to kiss her.

—Manitoba.

Currie Gym Scene of Meet

Tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m., in the Sir Arthur Currie gymnasium, the Redmen will play host to an American athletic team for the first time in two years. All spectators will be admitted free of charge as the Massachusetts Institute of Technology takes the floor with an all-star gymnastic squad featuring several champions, in an effort to down the Red and White athletes.

The Rifle Meet will take place in the afternoon, around 2 p.m. on the C.O.T.C. shooting range. As yet neither team has completely announced its marksmen, but the men from south of the border are renowned for their expert sharp-shooting and the match will probably prove a close one.

TWO CO-CAPTAINS

The M.I.T. is sending out thirteen men to defend its colours, and all of them have seen action in previous intercollegiate fixtures. Hoover Shaw and Emilio Touche, the two co-captains of the American team are both old timers as far as gymnastic meets are concerned. Last year both took top honours in the New England Amateur Athletic Union. The first won the novice tumbling while the other placed ahead of all his competitors in the novice side horse event.

The Massachusetts squad has averaged six meets a year since the outbreak of the war while during the same time the Redmen have not engaged in any intercollegiate or provincial meets. It may thus be concluded that the McGill team is taking up a formidable contingent, and is thus at a decided disadvantage. Nevertheless they can be counted upon to give the visitors stiff competition.

REDMEN'S LINE UP

With some twenty gymnasts and about ten rope climbers trying out for the official team, there has been some keen rivalry around the gym for the past two weeks. Throughout this time a gradual elimination process has been going on until now, and the McGill team is actually of the same numerical strength as that of the M.I.T.

Those who will see action tomorrow are as follows: Bill Weber Captain of the McGill Squad who is participating in all six events; John Simpson, the Manager who is entered on the High Bar, the Parallel Bars, the Mats and the Side Horse. Incidentally, Weber and Simpson are the only two men on the McGill Team who have been in Intercollegiate Competition. John Foster is representing McGill on the High Bar, Parallel Bars, Rings and Ropes. Ross Johnson is entering the Mats, Rings and Side Horse. Both of these men have had experience in Interscholastic Competition where they were title winners in their specialties and they can be counted upon to make a good showing. Hyman Hershman is entered for the Parallel Bars, Mats and Side Horse. He placed well up in last year's Wicksteed Meet and is a decided asset to the McGill contingent. Terry Leslie will hold forth on the High Bar, Parallel Bars, Mats and Rings. He is regarded one of the best all-round men on the squad and though he lacks competitive experience should make a good showing for himself. The remainder of the team is made up entirely of first year men including Guy Grimaldi on the High Bar, Parallel Bars, and Mats; Ted Margetts on the High Bar; Archie Jones on the High Bar and Parallel Bars; Hugh Warburton on the High Bar and Parallel Bars, and Seth Taylor on the High Bar and Rings. In addition to Weber and Foster there are three other men entered on the Ropes, all of them competing in this event for the first time; These are as follows: Tony Mustille, Joe Sabbath, and John Paquin.

Officials for the meet include the following: Judges: Hugh Noble, Ralph de Wolf MacKay, Ken Murray, Jack Lang, Bill Searle and Shirley McKay; Scorers: George Dunbell and George Smith; Master of Ceremonies: Raymond Caron. All of these men have been expert gymnasts in their past, all are experienced.

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Standings and Schedules

INTRAMURAL HOCKEY STANDINGS

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
Marines	8	5	2	1	39	23	11
Navy	7	5	2	0	31	34	10
Air Force	7	3	2	2	29	21	8
Artillery	7	3	3	1	41	26	7
Infantry	7	2	5	0	27	32	4
Macdonald	8	2	6	0	9	30	4

M.B.L. STANDINGS

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Oilers	11	11	1	519	356	22
Mount Royal	11	8	3	424	344	16
Pats	11	4	7	340	386	8
Westmount Y.	11	3	8	322	398	6
McGill	11	2	9	316	437	4

ALL STARS INTER-COMPANY BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Company basketball representatives should choose best team from Company.

Members of McGill Senior Team are not eligible. Practice periods may be arranged.

A Section
Independents
Macdonald
A Company
E Company

B Section
C Company
D Company
F Company
G Company

Teams will play each of the other three teams in their section.

SCHEDULE

Today, February 20th.
C vs. F.—Braye.
D vs. G.—Goddard.
Monday, February 23rd.
E vs. Ind.
C vs. G.
Tuesday, February 24th.
F vs. D.
Wednesday, February 25th.
E vs. Mac.
Saturday, February 28th.
A vs. Mac. at Ste. Annes.
Monday, March 2nd.
Ind. vs. Mac.

REVISED INTRAMURAL HOCKEY SCHEDULE

Sat. Feb. 21st.—Artillery vs. Macdonald.
Mon. Feb. 23rd.—Artillery vs. Air Force.
Wed. Feb. 25th.—Navy vs. Infantry.
Thurs. Feb. 26th.—Navy vs. Air Force.
Fri. Feb. 27th.—All Stars Practise.
Sat. Feb. 28th.—Navy vs. Macdonald.
Mon. Mar. 2nd.—All Stars Practise.
Wed. Mar. 4th.—All Stars Practise.
Thurs. Mar. 5th.—All Stars Practise.
Sat. Mar. 6th.—McGill vs. Clarkson College, U.S.A.
Mon. Mar. 8th.—Marines vs. Navy.
Wed. Mar. 11th.—Artillery vs. Infantry.
Thurs. Mar. 12th.—Infantry vs. Air Force.

REVISED INTER-COMPANY HOCKEY SCHEDULE

Fri. Feb. 20th.—Ind. vs. "E" Coy.
Mon. Feb. 23rd.—"D" Coy. vs. "E" Coy.
Tues. Feb. 24th.—"G" Coy. vs. "E" Coy.
Thurs. Feb. 26th.—"D" Coy. vs. "F" Coy.
Mon. Mar. 2nd.—"F" Coy. vs. "D" Coy.

McGILL "INTERHOUSE" HOCKEY LEAGUE

DH—Douglas Hall.
PC—Presbyterian College.
ABC—Boards.
Di6.—Diocesan College.
Today, Feb. 20th, 8:30 p.m.—P.C. vs. D.H.
Managers
Diocesan College—B. Smith, Ma. 4902.
Douglas Hall—D. C. Farlinger, Be. 2885.
Presbyterian College—A. M. Hudson, Pl. 1649.
ABC—J. D. B. Ogilvie, Ia. 7695.

New Plans Issued For Ski Tours

Two Trips To Ste. Marguerite Sunday Morning

A change of plans has been made regarding the M.O.C. tours this week-end. As stated before there will be two tours but both tours will leave from Ste. Marguerite's station Sunday morning.

The shorter tour of ten miles will leave Ste. Marguerite's station at 11:00 o'clock under the direction of Mr. Van Wagner and will proceed via various trails to Val Morin and back to the starting point by a delightful trail, the Alpine. The usual lunch, tin cup, wash and spare clothing are the only requisites to spend a restful day out in the open air.

A longer tour will leave the same station at 10:00 o'clock and will cover the ground between Ste. Marguerite and Piedmont or Shawbridge via the Johannsen East Trail, a distance of some sixteen miles. Needless to say, this will be a more energetic trip than the first, but those who have been on the tour in previous years down this trail will remember that there is not very much uphill, as compared with some of the other trails. This trail is the ideal cross-country trail. Mr. Johannsen is expected to run the trip and the snow conditions seem to forecast a very successful Sunday.

Fred Urquhart will be at Ste. Sauveur to give skiing instructions to any McGill students, men or women and this instruction class will be open to both beginners and average skiers.

It was their first date...
"Cigarette?"
"No thanks, I don't smoke."
"Let's go down to sip a few."
"I'd rather not, I never touch liquor."
"Well, let's go out on the heights for a while."
"No, please don't. I want to go out and do something exciting, something new."
"O.K. (sigh). Let's go to the dairy building and milk hell out of a couple o' cows."
—Manitoba.

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INTERCOMPANY HOCKEY
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INTERHOUSE HOCKEY
8:30 p.m.
PC. vs. D.H.
GYMNASTICS
5:15 p.m.
Workout
WRESTLING
5:15 p.m.
Workout
BASKETBALL
5:15 p.m.
C vs. F.—Braye.
D vs. G.—Goddard

Sports Tomorrow

INTRAMURAL HOCKEY
Artillery vs. Macdonald
GYMNASTICS
7:30 p.m.
7:30 p.m.
M.I.T. vs. McGill

Squash
The draw for Inter-Company Squash tournament has been posted on the notice board at the squash courts. All who have entered should arrange with opponent to play match. Then enter result on the board. Matches will be the best two out of three.

"I like mathematics when it's not over my head."
"That's the way I feel about pigeons."
—Manitoba.



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Sie. Agathe 2 8°, 18 Feb. 35" SNOWING
Mt. Tremblant 10 6°, 17 Feb. 44" SNOWING

Letter Forum

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page of the Daily shortly before election time. These additional freedoms are commendable, but irrelevant to the issue at hand. The present issue, and the whole point of the controversy, is "Why should the freedom of the candidates to express their views under their own name be curtailed at all? Why should the freedom of student candidates be curtailed in the students' own newspaper, the traditional policy of which is to be impartial?"

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6. On the contrary, some of the longest, most trivial, most objectionable letters, reflecting unfavourably upon individuals to whom publicity of that nature cannot be welcome and making petty charges of "poor taste," etc., against these individuals, charges that do not merit a reply, have been printed in the Daily under noms-de-plume: (witness the Engineers' "Beauty Contest" fracas this year).

7. There has been much said about "dirty politics" on the campus in past years. In future years there may be more dirty politics. But we can make future irregularities less likely by refusing to adopt a policy that can be used as a precedent by future editors, who may, for all we know, be politicians in the worst sense of the word. There would be nothing to prevent future politician-editors from filling up the Letter Forum with noms-de-plume letters written by themselves and praising their chosen candidate. Requiring real names to all letters would make this impossible. This may seem far-fetched, but my imagination has been stimulated by stories from the past told me by those "in the know." My imagination has also been stimulated by your famous remark, Mr. Editor, namely, "Some things in this campus reek and we have smelled them."

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Yours truly,
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RIFLE TEAM

As we are about to go to press we get the following last minute information. The McGill Rifle team has not completely been chosen. 13 Marksmen are still in the running, nine of which will take part in the meet while the remaining four will act as spare. Here is the list which has been given to us by Major C. G. Heward of the McGill O.T.C.

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Students Light Flares

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a little over two minutes, the whole of the slope below the cross was covered with the brilliant reflection of scarlet on the snows. The lights of the city seemed dim in comparison.

The students stopped only momentarily to inspect their handwork from close range, and covered the rest of the distance to Park Avenue in record speed to watch the results from below. Waiting only to see the first flames lick the edges of the huge bonfire, they returned to the Union, carrying their torches and causing much comment along the way.

Post-War Economic Plan

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ages of a continuance of certain restrictive measures were foreseen and discussed.

Dr. E. F. Beach, Acting Head of the School of Commerce, commented upon the papers, bringing up the point that the great cyclical problems may not arise till ten or fifteen years after the war.

Elections Set for Tuesday

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Gill in Arts and Commerce. It is as yet uncertain whether he will be able to be present for the occasion.

The elections to the executive are to take place on Tuesday, the day following the meeting, and the Arts Common Room will be open for voting from 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. Nominated as President are Thomas Hardwick and George McColm; as Vice-president David Armstrong and Stewart Bross; as Secretary Seth Taylor and Kenneth Howard, while Stuart Oney and Stanley Eidinger are running for Treasurer.

Ross Pratt Plays at RVC

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leading critics there described his playing as "colorful and expressive, besides possessing great technical brilliance," while his tone "invariably sang throughout interpretations blessed with uncommon eloquence and command of varied styles."

His program is to include Bach's Italian Concerto, Schumann's Etudes Symphoniques, "Sonatine" by Ravel and three of Rachmaninoff's preludes. Tickets for the event may be obtained by students for 10 cents (50 cents for others) from Bill Gentlemen's office; Fred Barton in the Engineering Building, at R.V.C., or from Joan Edward, Marjorie Cross, Mary Miller, Sylvia Chaplin, or Anne Perry. Mr. Pratt will play on a piano loaned by Messrs. Willis and Co.

'Out of the Frying Pan' Opens in Moyse Hall

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and with conviction. Bunny Burke bears her part of the devoted wife ably.

Support Adequate

Stan Eidinger, as Mr. Kenny the opopolomaniac, rendered excellent service, as did Kina Mitchell the vague and bewildered landlady. Ian McCrimmon as Doty's father and Hugh Scott and Allister Fraser as the policemen added much to the play with their support.

In the first scene, the actors ran their lines a little too fast for the audience to hear them, manifestly because they had not yet warmed to their parts, but the second scene and the second and third acts moved in general with alacrity and spirit. The humour of the plot was much added to by the presentation of the lines and laughs came loud and often. Many of the best bits of humour in the play were missed, due to the unreceptiveness of a small part of the audience and to the fact that, in the early part of the play, the actors had not yet caught on to the idea of waiting for laughs.

As a whole the production was excellent. It was well presented, well acted, and entertaining. There was nothing in it to criticize which could not be excused by the fact

that it was the first representation before a critical audience.

The play is well worth anyone's going to see, and it will certainly provide a good evening's entertainment to even the most sour individual.

War Effort Placed First

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people claim we can not use enemy's methods but we will show that we jolly well can." The speaker asked for vagueness in plans for the future: "We cannot federate while the Japanese are taking Singapore. Nobody knows when peace will come and we cannot have pre-conceived ideas."

"When you are told to march," he advised his audience, "either for exercise or the real thing, forget the peace aims. The job is here, the house is afire. First we must put out the fire, then rebuild the house."